

ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 01997/521002

Certificate of Mailing: Date of Deposit: November 25, 2002

I hereby certify under 37 C.F.R. § 1.8(a) that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail with sufficient postage on the date indicated above and is addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

Beards

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE RECEIVED

Applicant: Rajesh Ranganathan et al.

1632 Art Unit:

Serial No.: 09/559,622 Examiner:

TECH CENTER 1600/2900 J. Woitach

Filed:

April 27, 2000

Customer No.:

21559

Title:

NOVEL SERATONIN-GATED ANION CHANNEL

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

REPLY TO EXAMINER'S ACTION

In reply to the Examiner's Action mailed in the above-captioned case on July 25, 2002, Applicants submit the following amendment and remarks.

AMENDMENT

Kindly amend the application as follows.

In the Claims:

Cancel claims 26 and 29 without prejudice.

Amend claims 9, 11, and 20-23, as follows.